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THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

Foreign .- Troops fired upon riotous strikers at the copper mines at Bilbao. Spain, but were forced to retreat. = The starving peasants have attacked the doctors in many of the famine-stricken districts of Russia; troops have been called on to suppress the disorders. - Emperor William's thirty-third birthday was celebrated in Berlin.

Congress.-Both branches in session. Senate-There was a discussion on public building bills; a resolution was introduced calling for the correspondence in the Chinese Government's refusal to receive Minister Blair. - House.-Further discussion took place on the new rules.

Domestic.-Senor Montt received a dispatch from the Chilian Minister of Foreign Affairs, yielding to the demands of President Harrison, and ex pressing regret for the Valparaiso outrage. The Senate Finance Committee at Albany gave a hearing on the World's Fair bill; New-York merchants spoke in favor of increasing the appropriation from \$300,000 to \$500,000; the committee will report the bill without amendm Senator Cantor introduced a bill providing for an Adirondack Park. = - The Connecticut House met and adjourned for a week. — The Republicans nominated Jacob Amos for Mayor of Syracus. and the Democrats George Penn.

City and Suburban.-Fifty-two Italians who had been at sea in seows over night were rescued. The thermometer registered the lowest temperature of the year. ____ A brother of Sunol, the great trotter, was sold at auction for \$14,500 More expert testimony was given in the trial of Carlyle W. Harris for wife-murder. Wall Street was interested over a "squeeze" in Lackawanna. ==== A servant in Montelair after a quarrel with her sweetheart, was found shot through the abdomen; the man was arrested. Stocks active and irregular. Lackawanna rose over 3 per cent and again sold at its opening The closing was at a rally from the lowest points in the afternoon reaction.

The Weather .- Forecast for to-day: Fair and warmer. Temperature yesterday: Highest, 21 degrees; lowest, 10; average, 15 1-8.

The few cases of smallpox in the city will excite no general alarm. For a number of years our Health Department has been singularly successful in checking all serious danger from this loathsome disease. But the Health Board is utterly helpless in the grip of influenza.

Mr. Webster's bill in the State Assembly proposing to spend \$3,000,000 on the pavements of this city is absurdly extravagant and unjustifiable. The Democrats at Albany may, be trusted to be prodigal with all expenditures which will be in Tammany's hands, and to be niggardly with appropriations which Tammany will not control, as, for instance, the outlay for New-York's representation at the World's Fair.

Mayor Grant and ex-Mayor Hewitt are having · lively controversy over the "dives" of New-York. Mr. Hewitt asserts that within sixty days after he took office the disreputable resorts were closed, but that they were soon flourishing again suer Mr. Grant became Mayor. It is certain that Mr. Hewitt's assertion as to the purifying effect of his administration is far too sweeping. It can easily be proved that many vicious resorts prospered and were conspicuous while Mr. Hewitt was Mayor. But it is equally certain that the Tammany Mayor, the Tammany police captains, the Tammany police judges and the Tammany District-Attorney looked with suspicious indulgence and amiability upon dives of all sorts until the press began its work of exposure and denunciation, and the Grand Jury, of its own motion and without the assistance of the District-Attorney, took a hand in the work. It is also certain that all these Tammany officials display more inclination to protect than to suppress the poolrooms-and the poolrooms are dives of the most pestilent sort.

At the hearing on the World's Fair bill before Roasted! Aye; roasted to a Crisp.

It was a gay, a festive scene. The peacock the Senate Committee on Finance yesterday various branches of business in this and other cities were ably represented, and strong arguments were offered in favor of an adequate appropriation by this State. The address of Mr. William F. King, the secretary of the Drygoods Com- on the bill-of-fare and perfectly comprehended ernment purchases, which have been 54,000,000

of \$500,000 was opposed by Mr. Thacher, one of the National Commissioners for this State, and | the words of the poet; there was not lacking indications that the members of the Finance Committee had determined in advance of the hearing to report the bill without amendment. The bill as it stands calls for \$300,000. Governor Flower bluntly told the delegations from this city that he considered that sum sufficient, and the committee without loss of time decided to report the measure without amendment. If New-York makes a shabby showing in the Columbian Exposition, the blame can be placed nowhere but on the Democratic Legislature and the Democratic Governor.

AN ASSURANCE OF PEACE.

The authoritative announcement comes from Washington that the Chilian Government has signified to the Government of the United States its determination to make complete amends for the injuries inflicted in Valparaiso upon American sailors, and for the disrespect shown at that time and subsequently to this country. Mr. Montt has been instructed to offer ample apolegies and regrets and emphatic assurances that Chili entertains for the Government and people of the United States only feelings of respect. friendship and gratitude. With these thoroughgoing acknowledgments of error and offers of reparation every prospect of a resort to arms disappears, and the final details of settlement will be harmoniously adjusted through the usual channels of diplomacy.

This country has never manifested or felt any desire to treat Chili with harshness. Its official conduct throughout the controversy has been courteous and forbearing. It has proceeded of whatever embarrassments might involve the situation at Santiago, and intent only upon upholding the National honor, without passion or resentment. It has never intended or wished to make the duty of repairing grave wrongs difficult for Chili, but has endeavored to facilitate a peaceful and honorable retreat from an untenable position. Now that ample satisfaction is guaranteed, there will be no disposition on the ay Tribune. 200 100 50 — put fribune. 200 100 50 — put of our Government or people to indulge in which for mail subscribers in New-York City and on Daily. Weekly and Weekly to foreign countries, in which extra postage will be paid by subscribers. Extra postage will be paid by subscribers order. Check, Draft or with the postal Order, Express Order, Check, Draft or The reversal of the situation is so sudden irritating exultations, but only universal rejoic- organization hereabouts and throughout the rural otherwise than by express may satisfactorily acwithout naval armaments and the barbarism of winter convention for good and sufficient reasons. war. The reversal of the situation is so sudden Among the accredited exponents of the Demoas to be almost bewildering, but the fact that it cratic faith that gave the committee clearly to affords ample cause for profound satisfaction in understand that in their opinion a February conboth countries is not obscured.

full statement of the proposed terms of settlement to Congress to-day, but no doubt is felt in rightly understood, they leave only a single point | six journals wield a greater influence on Demoto arbitration or judicial determination, namely, cratic constituencies in New-York than any other the amount of indemnity due for injuries in- six journals that can be named. Nevertheless, ly urged the necessity of improvement, the flicted upon our sailors at Valparaiso. The obli- the committee when it came to fix the date of secompense is a detail which can be properly Democrats for whom they stand with the utmost | no practical end. submitted to an independent tribunal. All questions of fact relating to the origin of the attack, the measure of responsibility of the Chilian received no consideration whatever. The come inverest in the question is not merely vicarious circumstances can honorably and advantageously just long enough to put through the resolution acing controversy the country is indebted to the whelmingly against the resolution, was quanisagacity, the patience and the firmness of the musty for it. Administration. And when time has composed whatever animosities may now be cherished in Chili, the people of that country will not full he has been content to ignore public sentiment, to recognize the enormous value of the service rendered to them in a critical emergency by the great Republic of the North.

THE PEACOCK DANNER.

ty-one covers," of "high-backed, leather-covered overlooking the whole business a portrait of General Jackson. It was a brilliant scene; an historic occasion.

Here in a high-backed chair sat David B. Hill: there just in front of him perched the peacock; above both beamed General Jackson. Ranged around were statesmen of familiar names and recognized capacity, some with "sidewhiskers" and some with "whiskers trimmed carefully to a point": some wore "embroidered waistcoats with gold buttons," some had "a wealth of snowy shirt bosom" in the centre of which " a sparkling diamond gleamed fiercely," "Joseph J. O'Denohue and Senator Hill smiled joyfully at each other." Judge Truax was there a flower in his button-hole," and "a little later Governor Abbett, of New-Jersey, appeared and was handed around like a plate of refreshments." Next to Hill sat Cram. Cram is Dock Commissioner. At one point in the proceedings, vividly described by the chronicler, Senator Hill looked down the length of the mammoth room where the crowd was surging to and fro," and turning to Cram, while the peacock and the qualls and the pheasants and other game birds, conscious that they had been cooked to a turn and had nothing but dead feathers with which to flutter their emotions, visibly leaned to listen, said: "There seems to be something going on here to-night." The peacock and the quails and the pheasants and other game birds, together with the turkeys and Scotch pheasants which guarded the peacock, were visibly affected, There was a rustling of feathers all over the table. Cram made no answer. But General Jackson clearly and distinctly smiled out of his gilt frame, and a Tammany Sagamore who was cunces, an increase of 1,340,611 ounces, or about just taking his third appetizer is confident that he heard the words gurgling out of the canvas like new rum from an old bottle, "Bless you, my child!" There had been nothing said like this since the great Senator startled a great audience by the remark "I am a Democrat! It seemed to the watchers of the skies as if the Senator had struck his climacteric and Cram was at his perihelion. Then, as the record runs, "the waiters ruthlessly stripped the plumage from the have much increased, there appears no reason roasted game birds." An allegory of great significance! There was the banquet all prepared. The "logic of the situation" faintly fluttered on the peacock and the quails and the pheasants and 1891, and from New-York were 81,578,407 in the other game birds, fanned by the gusty entrance of arriving guests. Then-ah, thenwhat reminiscences the story wakens in the Mugwump breast !-" the waiters ruthlessly stripped

and the quails and the pheasants and the other game birds, and Cram and the festooned flags and the gas and General Jackson-all formedmittee of this city, who has taken a most active by all the guests at some time during the even-

the plumage from the roasted game birds."

by game birds. David Hill, forcibly recalling at this and other cities, or to a little variation intermissions, for en years at a time, is not alto-

Yet beautiful and bright he stood As born to rule the storm, A creature of heroic blood, A proud though childlike form

The Manhattan Club has witnessed few such spectacles. Only one in fact. That was when the Great Pacificator, "Senator Bill Brown" (State Senator only), gave what was known as the "Reconciliation Dinner," when the guest of this occasion consented to sit at table, not with a stuffed peacock in front of him, but with what a leading Democratic newspaper described as a 'Staffed Prophet," beside him. That, too, was historic. On the whole, somewhat more. In year ago. view of what has happened since, it may be copiously as visibly to dilute his own tipple. And is the inquiry raised at this juncture, "What has become of the other guest?" or is the question asked, "Where was William Brown?" us pause in front of the peacock and in the midst of the revelry to answer the respectful inquiries of the archaeologist. William Brown was in Albany making laws. The State needed him there and he stayed. The other guest is somewhere in Louisiana, looking for quails, pheasants and other game birds with a gun. It has been said that his chief weakness is hunting with a gun. And there are persons not wholly unconnected with politics who say that it does not pay to hunt with a gun. They say the better way is to hunt with snaro-drums and with cheese, and that the man who does that and attends right to his hunting, instead of coming home at night bedraggled, is sure to sit down some night with a rose in his button-hole in with considerate care and deliberation, mindful front of a peacock, with quails and pheasants and other game birds all round him and General Jackson smiling down upon the scene.

And to a casual observer there seems to be something in it.

HILL AND THE DEMOCRATIC PRESS.

That the Democratic State Committee deliberately misrepresented the Democracy of Newcounties had vigorously protested against a midvention would be a grave blunder were "The It is expected that the President will send a New-York World," "The Brooklyn Eagle," "The Albany Argus," "The Buffalo Courier," contempt. The reasons which they had ad-

ceiling," says the graphic chronicler of the orcasion, "and guarded by turkeys and Scotch
pheasurus in full feather below and around it."
Beautiful, beautiful beautiful bird! And most appropriately guarded. Then "astonishing pyramids of
quails, pheasants and other game birds, whose
brown-roasted skins were hidden for the
time within their natural covering of feathers
skilfully replaced, caught and held the eye."
Did not so hold it though but that it could to the compulsory, premature and artificial methods employed to secure it, and to declare that the expression wears just that character itself. If anything could be calculated to make the other States of the Union override New-York ed by a frost which was fatal to his boom.

At all events, in view of the snub which be will have made an important step in advance. administered to New-York Democracy by setting at paught the counsel of some of its most valued organs. Hill might do well to stop saying "I am a Democrat." "I am a David B. Hillite" would be the precise truth. He is for himself first, last and all the time-Sandays, holidays and halfholidays included.

THE PRECIOUS METALS.

The production of silver in the year 1891, ar

cording to the annual statistics of Mr. Valentine, of Wells, Farge & Co., was \$60,614,004 the silver being reckoned at 98 cents per ounce This does not imply a decrease in production, as some may hastily infer, although the value reported for 1890 was \$62,930,831, because in that year the silver was reckoned at \$1.04 per ounce, so that the quantity in 1890 was 60,-510,414 ounces, according to Mr. Valentine's statement, but in 1891 it was 61,851,025 2 per cent. The statement has nevertheless been received with some surprise, because it was commonly supposed that the production of silver

had been considerably greater in 1891 than in the previous year. While the Wells-Fargo statement admits that its reports from Montana are estimated, and from Colorado and some other States are liable to error, because facilities for transporting bullion otherwise than by express as yet to question its substantial correctness. The net exports of silver, it is true, amounted

to \$8,739,511 in value in eleven months of December, but the imports across the Mexican months to \$8,976,793. Probably the exports of the malady. and imports of silver for the year may be rockoned about eyen, silver-bearing ore included. There remains the consumption in the arts, which

moreover, may change from year to year.

The course of the silver market has not been in the production. Mr. Valentine reckons the chances, if not of absolute immunity, at least of average price 6 cents per ounce lower than in successful resistance 1890, and the average of daily quotations at London was 2.63 pence per ounce lower, or more than 5 cents, with a rather steady decline from the first to the last of the year. It is therefore not intrinsically improbable that the production has increased less than was expected a

The output of gold, according to the Wells-Fargo statement, was \$31,685,118 in 1891. over both of whom William Brown wept so against \$31,795,361 in 1890, a change so small as to call for no remark. Since the minimum was reached in 1884, when only \$25,183,567 in gold was produced, there has been some increase, but for the last five years no important change. The statement of copper produced west of the Missouri River does not by any means cover the whole output, and it is reckoned at 11 cents per pound, so that the reported value, \$13,261,663, would represent about 120,560,-000 pounds. In 1890 the value was reported as \$20,569,092, but copper was reckoned at 14 cents per pound, so that the output west of the Missouri would be about 147,000,000 pounds. This does not correspond closely with the statement of "The Engineering and Mining Journal," which made the output in the same regions about 167,000,000 pounds in 1891. against 156,000,000 in 1890.

Neither does the reported decrease in the value of lead, which is placed at only \$11,509,571 in 1891, against 814,592,323 in 1890, compare well with the statement by the journal just mentioned, which reckons the quantity produced in the same region at 117,500 tons, against 111,-500 in 1890. As the Wells-Fargo statement reckoned lead at the same value per pound for the two years, that implies a considerable decrease in quantity in 1891, while "The Engineering and Mining Journal" reports a considerable increase. But the increase of facilities York on Tuesday is evident. The Democratic for transporting ore from Colorado and Montana

A MOVE FOR BETTER ROADS.

The result accomplished by the State Road Convention held at Trenton last week, under the auspices of the New-Jersey Board of Agriculture, has a vital interest for the residers of this State, and indeed for the entire country. "The Syracuse Courier" and "The Utica Ob- The roads of New-Jersey are no worse than Washington that they are entirely adequate. If server." It is not too much to assert that these these of any other State. In one or two counties the highways are models for general imitation. Yet Governor Abbett has of late frequent constinuty voices the bitter complaints of farm gation to apologize and atone having been con- the convention treated these prominent party ers, and the Legislature shows its appreciation ceded in unmistakable language, the pecuniary newspapers and the hundreds of thousands of of the evil by perennial discussions that lead to The Trenton convention, however, was par

vanced in orp sition to a midwinter convention | ticipated in by about a hundred farmers, whose pelice and local authorities and any extenuating mittee remained in session only half an hour- and with commendable promptitude they achieved a definite object by appointing a permabe considered at leisure, and the conclusion will previding for a convention in February. It was next state Road Association. The members of be accepted with perfect satisfaction. For this adopted without debate, A stranger would have this body are to visit other States and examine fortunate and creditable settlement of a men- supposed that the party, instead of being over- into the working of the different read laws and systems, making an exhaustive report to the Governor next autumn, with recommendations, The conduct of the committee marks another and inciting legislative action. The discussions step in the career of David B. Hill. Hitherto which culminated so auspiciously developed some instructive facts. The customary rehearsal of no matter how plainly it might be declared or the whole history of the art of read-building how excellent the cause in whose service it was and the imaginary adversity of the farmer were enlisted. But now, emboldened - the success not wanting, and the hand of the professional of his efforts as a scat-stealer, and by the buzzing agitator was apparent in a movement to oppose in his bonnet of the Presidential boe, he goes a reform, except in the direction of extended city step further. He ignores party sentiment. Per- curstracks. The delegates agreed, however, that

catch the view of "festoons of flags," of "twen- may not overlook the slight which Hill has put In this State a convention of farmers would upon them. For the fact remains, as "That probably express views on the same question chairs," of "a large oblong table covered with Brooklyn Lagle" stated it, that "an enforced nearly identical. Twenty thousand New-York wonderfal creations from the club kitchen," and midwinter expression for Senator Hill in this State voters, it has been estimated, are kept from the will enable his opponents in other States to point palls in bad weather. Grain is carried for a thousand miles on railreads with less difficulty and for little more money than it costs to hand it from the farm to the railroad station, and the choice of crops is consequently often restricted in the National Convention it would be this Governor Hill's celebrated scheme for one or manifest endeavor on the part of New-York to two elaborate state reads would clearly not have override the preference or anticipatively to warp | chylated these drawbacks. The trouble lies in the action of other States." There is sound | car defective system of read-mending, performed sense in this. In fact, a vaulting ambition is by bunglers in the perfunctory discharge of apt to o'erleap itself. Hill may discover before myes; and if the New-Jersey association, in its long that the midwinter convention was attend- investigations hereabouts, can discover all that that implies and will take the lesson to heart, it

> DOCTORS AND THE GRIP. The "epidemic influenza symposium" of the

County Medical Society on Monday night elicited the testimony of some well-known physicians concerning the "present fashicnable maludy." Its results do not, however, seem to hold out much comfort for the afflicted. This is the third year of the grip, and probably a majority of the population has established either an individual or family acquaintance with it. The doctors have had abundant opportunity to diagnose and classify the symptoms, and all kinds of remedies, from sulphur drinks to phenacetine, result. have been used to combat them. Nevertheless. the fact remains that medical science is still without a specific, and that the treatment continues as tentative as it was in Boston in 1775. when even dogs and horses were prostrated. Dr. Janeway's observations concerning the

difficulty of diagnosing the disease will come home to every sufferer who, during the last three years, has heard all his per ailments tersely summed up under the head of "grip." Many a patient has undoubtedly been sent to the grave as a grip victim whose relation to it was purely contemporaneous. Conversely, also, many an invalid has succumbed to pneumonia, tonsilitis and meningitis, whose first attack procceded from the introduction of the insidious germ that no microscopist seems yet to have acceeded in capturing. Dr. R. W. Wilcox 3dvances the opinion that the suddenness of the attack, the multiplicity and variability of the symptoms and the inordinate accompanying mental depression clearly distinguish the grip from border in that month are not known. More- all other diseases, while the process of conover, against this there must be reckened the valescence is more tardy than in others of the silver-bearing ores imported, unless part was same severity. This will, however, tend to proincluded in the Wells-Fargo statement, of which | duce in the lay mind only greater bewilderment

It is generally remarked that the influenza, on in the language dealt out in handsome portions the Mint estimates at \$9,000,000, and the Gov- great names alone added recently to the obitnary list show a formidable array of grip vic-

and intelligent interest in the matter, was especially worthy of attention. The record of the last century's dueting a controversy. All its ideas of American pecially worthy of attention. An appropriation it, just in front of the peaceck, and surrainded be attributed to reduction of bullion on hand visitation, when influenza was epidemic, with honor have been smothered with Chili sauce, of \$5.00 one was lowered by Western Chili Sauce, by Western Chili Sauce, and Sarrainded by Carre Link Device Chili Sauce, by Carre Link Device Chili Sauce, and Sarrainded by Carre Link Device Chili Sauce, by Carre Li in the consumption, which is not by any means gether encouraging. While, however, no panacea definitely and certainly ascertained, and which, can be offered to the timorous, even by the most eminent of physicians, it is well to remember that the utmost case of the general health and such in 1891 as to encourage any great increase extra precaution against exposure increase the

THE WORLD'S VAIR ODE.

The question of a suitable poem or song for much attention throughout the country, and especially, of course, in the neighborhood of Chicago. The Fair cannot be opened without an ode; that much is settled. It is also agreed that the order for one should be placed soon, good poets being notoriously slow in their work. The thing to be decided now is, who shall write it

At first it was suggested that Sir Edwin Arnold was the man. Several people fell in with this idea, including Sir Edwin's press agent, but it was soon made apparent that a foreigner, even if he were English speaking, would not be acceptable to the American people. Of course a British poet would, at this particular time, be more ac ceptable than, for instance, a Chilian poet, and would probably throw more soul into the work, but it was quickly decided that all foreigners must be barred. Attention was then concentrated on native poets. It was instantly seen that great difficulty was going to be experienced in the selection, not from a lack of poets, but rather from the embarrassment of riches in this line. The the embarrassment of riches in this line. late census showed that there are, in round numbers, 100,000 poets in the United States, 50,000 of whom live in the State of Indiana and 25,000 in the city of Chicago, the rest being scattered throughout the country. Naturally two ways of making the choice of a poet suggested themselves. by competition and by lot. That choice by lot would probably secure the better poem was early conceded, but it was thought, on the whole, that it would not be so fair to the poets as a general contest with a committee of firm, hardened men to determine which was the best. It was therefore decided to advertise for scaled poems, to be delivered on or before the first day of September, 1892, at 12 o'clock noon, each poem to be ac companied by a guarantee, backed by a suitable bond, that not over 10 per cent of it is plagiarized. This was scarcely agreed upon when a new

difficulty was encountered, namely, the lack of authority to offer a prize. That the poets would ompete for glory alone was clearly absurd, espegially in this period of literary renaissance when almost any poem can be changed about a little and sold to a soap firm or a tooth powder manu facturer at a round price. But help came at this uncture from an unexpected quarter. The Canfield Rubber Company has just offered a purse of \$5,000 for the best poem or song to be read or of American Catholicism. song at the opening of the Columbian Exposition, bar none. The rubber company also agrees to put the first verse of the poem on the soles of all of its goloshes for the winter of 1892 and '93 in raised letters so that it will be tramped into the snow all over this country and Canada. That the offer of the rubber company is liberal

in the extreme we do not need to say. This is the way to build up an American literature. If more firms took the interest in belles lettres inced by the Canfield Rubber Company we could in ten years have a literature rivalling that of the Elizabethan era in England. The awarding of the prize will be done by a committee appointed the Fair organization. We would suggest that the original San Francisco Vigilance Committee be secured for this task if possible. They are men who would do their duty as they saw it firms and corporations might come in with the also. sand dellars is small for such a prize, after all lard and tallow interest of Chicago ought to chip in. The leather firms of this city would do well to call a meeting in the Swamp without delay and pany ought to do something handsome.

The annual meeting of the Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association held in this city yesterday, was characterized by congratulations on the part of those assembled over the results of the business of the company during the past year, and renewed congratulations over the successful showing made by President E. D. Harper in his annual report, in particular. This organization has been marked in its growth by a all assaults, and the figures which appear in the official reports, printed in full in this paper, tell their own story. They are worthy of eareful study by all who are looking for the best means of investing their money under some of the many systems of life insurance which are offered to the public.

Mr. Hill serves the State in the Senate at such times and seasons as are not required for the service of himself at Albany,

According to "The Albany Argus," "no Senator about the circle fat Albany) has a clearer claim to the seat he occupies than the Hon. Charles E. Walker." Seeing that Walker was defeated by a majority of nearly 1,700, "The Argus's" assertion is awful rough on the rest of the thirty-two Senators.

The present cold snap will doubtless put an end to all the fears that have existed as to the end to all the fears that have existed as to the failure of the ice crop. A few of the icemen heavy and oppressive habit." appear not to have been at all "rattled," and their confidence is in a fair way to be justified by the

Mr. Breckinridge was masquerading in Mr. Blaine's clothes when he introduced his recent substitute for the present Reciprocity law. When he undertook to impeach the sincerity and uprightness of the President in the Chilian Message, he exhibited himself in his own boseness and partisanship.

When the temperature approaches zero and the winds rage furiously, why does not the Elevated railway company make life more comfortable for its ticket-box tenders by placing the boxes inside the station doors, instead of keeping them on the platforms? It would be a simple and easy matter, but the act of humanity would be highly appreciated both by the ticket choppers and by the public.

Hill, to the Democratic press of New-York

"The Evening Post" has not only taken all its cues from the Chilian Foreign Office, but in dealing with its neighbors in journalism and with the officers of the American naval service, it has adopted Minister Matta's own insolent and oftersive style. Yesterday it crowned a long series there is no certainty, and this amounted in eleven in the effort to identify and resist the onslaught of outrageous attacks upon the American naval and diplomatic service with an imaginary conversation between Presidents Montt and Harrison, its present tour, is more deadly than when first in which the latter was most foully insulted this generation made its acquaintance. The This is Matta's characteristic way. While our neighbor has not yet seen fit to refer to that eccentric Minister's defamatory circular, it has

A life-size bust of Cardinal Gibbons is being modelled by Samuel Kitson, the Boston sculp marble is finished it will be sent to the Catholic University in Washington.

By the will of General M. C. Meigs a large coffee, tion of plate, coin, medals and other objects of his torical interest is presented to the National Museum at Among these relies are a seal ring intaglio portrait of Juilus Caesar and antique stone; net of bronze with stone engraved in totaglic the opening of the World's Fair is attracting antique of Chicon and Achilles, of Aenous; cabinet and collection of coles and medals, some of them antique including Alexander the Great, Pallip of Macedon including Alexander the Great, Philip of Macedon, Julius Caesar, Augustus and other Roman and Greek heads, and Napoleon, Washington and other medals; a silver tureen or use, given by the criticens of Baltimore to Commotore John Rodgers after its defence of Baltimore to Commotore John Rodgers after its defence of Baltimore tendent in the attack of the British deet, and a silver teakettle and lamp, presented to General Meizs by the city of Washington on the occasion of the adoption of this project and report on which Washington Aqueduct was built. His Borary, personal property and real estate are left to his children.

Malcolm Forbes, of Boston, who paid \$150,000 recently for the stallion Arion, is said to be quite like the typical sporting man. "The Globe" de-cribes him as "quiet and atterly unassuming, an extremely refined and cultivated gentleman. of the best social position and having great wealth, he cares little for society, and since the death of his

Cardinal Manning is said to have been so carcless in his dress as to be positively shabby in appearance he took a damkard's bottle away on the street, wretch gazed at him a moment and then ejaculat. "Take it, poor fellow, take it, ye need it mathan i do." at times. They even relate that on one occasion when

Bishop Neely, of the diocese of Maine, who celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of his consecration on Monday, is sixty two years of age. His earlier in this city.

Mr. Justice Bradley was not endowed wi robust health, and it is said that he escaped being a downright invalid only by his will power.

Baron Speck von Sternburg, for several years an ate of the German Legation in Washington, has be ordered to the German Embassy in Chica, according to

THE TALK OF THE DAY

Americans will be interested in a prediction which Cardinal Manning is said to lave made some years ngo. It was to the effect that the Pope after the next one will be an American, and that this result ill be brought about by the rapidly growing vigor

In the street Car. - Paul, sit still, or you'll get a thrashing!" - Mannus, if you punt h me I shall tell the conductor that I was four years old yesterday, then you'll have to pay." - Fliegende Blatter. Feedign papers tell a story of an opal ring belonging

to the late King Alphoneo XII of Spain, which will be treasured by those who believe in the superstition regarding the evil effects of that stone. On his welding day the King presented a beautiful ring to his Queen Mercedes, daughter of the Duke of Montpensier. The Queen were the ornament till her death, which occurred he ring from his wife's flager and placed upon that of his sister, the Infantine, Maria del Pilar. The young Princess only fived a few days after receiving the ring A third time the King took power-sion of the ring, and presented it to his sister in law, Francess Christian, the youngest daughter of the Duke of Montpensier. Three months later the Princess died, The King, surprised at the history of the ring, decided to wear it himself. The Queen-Regent, after the burial of her funrubber company and do something. Five thou- band, attached the ring to a golden chain and placed it upon the neck of the Virgin of Almodena, the matter saint of Maddid. Superstitions Spaniards foolishly attribute the various deaths to the ring, as a matter of

sonsider the question. The Standard Oil Com-sonsider the question. The Standard Oil Com-bany ought to do something handsome.

There is one thing about the plan of the rubber company which seems to be radically wrong. It makes the cortest "open to the world." This is a mistake which must be corrected without de-iay. The patriotic instincts of this country will not admit of a furcioner being even given a change.

bers admire George Meredith in silence; that the members shall write as much as they like about tweeze Merestith and burn the writings without showing them to any one; that no publicity shall be given in any shape to the existence of the society; and that the society shall not endeavor to exist as soon as it can." It was of Merestith that Oscar Wilde once offered the following epigrammatic but unjust "His style is chaos, illuminated by flashes lightning; as a writer he has mastered everything except language; as a novelist he can do everything exhibition of executive energy. It has withstood except tell a story; as an artist he is everything

Heard in an Electric Car: Pale Student—What ill this Chill business, anyway? Give it to me mishell. Man of Affairs—It can't be got into mishell; it's got to go into a kombshell. (host

Bishop Lyman (Episcopal), of North Carolina, would like to be relieved from the necessity of wearing the present heavy robes worn by hishops in summe 'In my diocese," he says, "I find it necessary to make regular and continuous visitations in the menths of August and September. And as our services are generaity held about midday, it is often most oppressively warm, for a few hours, even in our elevated mountain districts. I have frequently found it the case that one single service has so drenched and stained the white lawn sleeves that they became niterly un-presentable and wholly unit to be used again. And, when continuing a visitation from day to day, what opportunity can be found for putting these robes in a becoming condition." Certainly we do need some authority for the adoption, at such times, of a light and fitting vestment, which will present a dignified

heavy and oppressive habit."

A good story is being whis-pered about concerning a certain gray haired and dictinguished divine, whose saintly qualities have endeared him to a wide circle of friends in this city and elsewhere. Not long ago, while crossing one of our crowded thoroughfares, he became confused and falled to see a heavily loaded team which was rapidly bearing down upon him. Just at this point, be were, an athlete young coal heaver, who was standing near the curbstone, and had taken in the perilious situation at a glaine, sprang forward and fairly swept the astenished old man out of the reach of danger. "There?" he exclaimed, depositing his burden on the shewalk, and regarding him with that spectes of impathence which we are apt to feel under such circumstances—There. It it hadn't been for me, you'd have gone to the devil that time, sure!*

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ANY CONNECTION BETWEEN THEM?

From The Chicago Inter Ocean.

Commissioner Aldrich proposes to paint the lamp-posts a bright golden yellow. The Democrats will paint the whole town another color next June.

GRAVE OFFICIAL DISCOURTESY. From The Hartford Courant. Colonel Breckinridge, of Kentucky, did not appear to advantage yesteriay. Both his resolution and his speech were as ill timed as they were disrespectful (not to say intentionally insulting) to the President of the United States, and it is creditable to the other Democrats of the House that they refused to follow his lead.

WELL, LET HER PROPOSE IT.

While there are good reasons for objecting to the annexation of Canada, it begins to book as if there were no other way to dispose of the difficulties arising from conflicting interpretations of the Customs law relating to the importation of fish.

THE EPISODE HAD ITS VALUE.

From The Boston Journal.

This war scare has shown the American people that they have a re-spectable merchant marine left and the beginning of a marvellously efficient Navy. The prompt and comprehensive manner in which our namical preparations have been made reflects the utmost credit upon the executive ability of the gentleman at the bell of the Navy Department.